

**What a Blizzard Is.**

Texas Globe.

A blizzard is simply a strong, cold wind moving unchecked over leagues of light, unpacked snow. It sweeps up that which has previously fallen, carries it away in the color of a vast shaken fleece, distributes it so that each atmospheric atom has its little particle, and drives along all with a steady fury. Whether fresh snow is falling can seldom be determined by people out in a real blizzard. As far as the eye can see upward, and that is but a little space, the hurry of minute pellets hurling through ether across an unrevealed sky prevails, and the hurrying sameness on every side is varied only by occasional tall and bending wreaths where the wind whirls in shifting column. A confusion of the senses, comparable to none produced otherwise, appals one submitted to the enormous and blinding force of such a snow-filled wind, and scarcely a distinct thought remains except that the awful cold forbids crouching for rest and shelter. To our personal knowledge, one in such a storm keeps with difficulty upon a railway track lifted three feet above the surrounding prairie, and may be lost by five steps the wrong way after stumbling down from the embankment, which, being white, becomes instantly invisible. It is recorded on good authority that teamsters halting with their horses have been snowed over thirty feet deep by blizzards, and have survived by beating out breathing chambers till the cessation of the storm enabled them to dig themselves to upper air. The formation of a drift about a halted man, or horse, or sleigh, is sometimes wonderfully speedy, and the drift, once established, grows up by virtue of its obstructiveness. In some well authenticated cases lost persons have been found by the drifts over them and dug out alive; in others, the spring has revealed corpses still unthawed among the last white relics of winter. In blizzards people have often been unable to see across the street of a North-west town, and, sometimes men lose their direction in trying to reach the opposite side of a well-built way.

**How the Twelve Died.**

The following brief history of the fate of the Apostles may be new to those whose reading has not been evangelical:

St. Matthew is supposed to have suffered martyrdom, or was slain with a sword at the city of Ethiopia in Egypt.

St. Luke was hanged upon an olive tree in Greece.

St. John was put into a cauldron of boiling oil at Rome, and escaped death. He afterward died a natural death at Ephesus, in Asia.

St. James the Great was beheaded at Jerusalem.

St. James the Less was thrown from a pinnacle or wing of a temple, and then beaten to death with a fuller's club.

St. Philip was hanged up against a pillar at Hierapolis, a city of Phrygia.

St. Bartholomew was flayed alive by the command of a barbarous king.

St. Andrew was burned to a cross when he preached unto the people until he expired.

St. Thomas was run through the body with a lance, at Caromandel, in the East Indies.

St. Jude was shot to death with arrows.

St. Simeon Zealot was crucified in Persia.

St. Matthias was first stoned and then beheaded.

St. Barnabas was stoned to death by the Jews at Salania.

St. Paul was beheaded at Rome by the tyrant Nero.

**Discovered His Fault in Time.**

Arkansas Traveler.

A handsomely dressed young woman entered a crowded street car. A long-whiskered old fellow, wearing a dingy slouch hat and a suit of home-spun clothes got up and said:

"Miss, take my seat. I don't look as well as these here gentlemen"—nodding at several men—"but I've discovered that I've got

more politeness." The young woman sat down without thanking the old fellow, and, slyly winking at a woman whom she knew, whispered:

"How do you like my gallant country hoosier? Don't you think that he would cut quite a figure in a dime museum?"

"Miss," said the old fellow with a smile which clearly bespoke his unconsciousness of the unladylike ridicule, "I believe I left my pocket-book thar on that seat. Will you please get up a minute?"

The young woman got up. The old fellow sat down, and, stroking his whiskers, remarked:

"Blieve I'll just keep on sittin' here Miss. I stood up so much at the dime museum jest now that I'm sorter tired. I've got a leetle more politeness than these here gentlemen, but I have discovered that I ain't got nigh so much sense."

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The conditions surrounding a country newspaper are such that a chump or a dude, or a man of mediocre ability, would be swamped quicker than a sailboat in a storm should he undertake to run it upon the plan on which many city papers are conducted. It takes a peculiar kind of journalistic qualification to keep a country newspaper afloat, and to preserve an editor from landing either in a lunatic asylum or an almshouse.

**What Am I To Do.**

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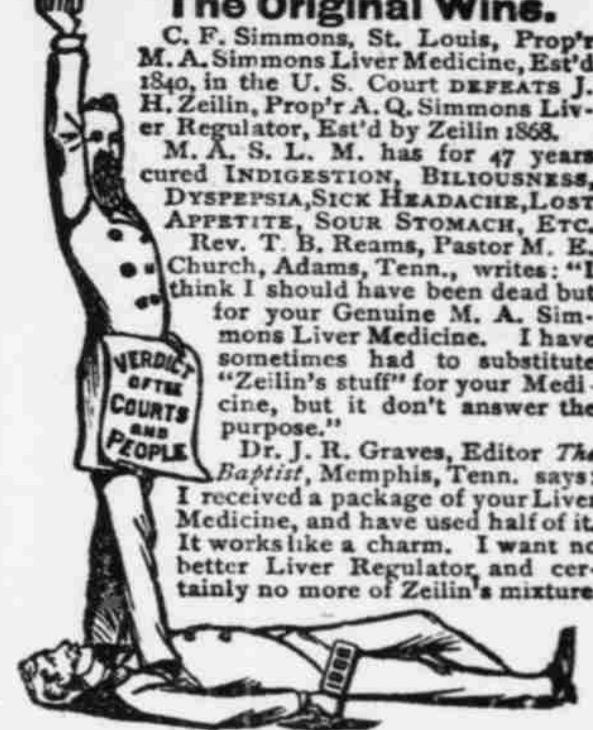
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